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## Top Skills

Corporate Law
Contract Negotiation
Litigation

## Languages

English (Native or Bilingual)
Russian (Native or Bilingual)

# Dinna Eskin

VP, Legal at Tesla
San Francisco Bay Area

## Summary

I am a business and solutions oriented attorney with extensive experience in providing the leadership of various high tech organizations with sound, practical and operational advice. I quickly become a trusted advisor because I ensure that my legal advice fits within the business vs. having the business fit within my legal advice. My goal is to help the organization achieve its objectives in a common sense way within aggressive timelines while balancing risk.

## Experience

### Tesla
8 years 4 months

#### VP, Legal
October 2024 - Present (11 months)

Lead all of legal support and provide strategic resolutions for the operations, production, manufacturing, sales sides of the business including legal teams supporting real estate, commercial, energy, super charger, construction, EHS, employment, new market entry, regulatory and rapid product ramp up. Lead regional teams including EMEA, APAC and China.

#### Senior Director, Legal
July 2022 - November 2024 (2 years 5 months)
Austin, Texas, United States

Lead all of legal support for the operations/production/manufacturing side of the business including legal teams supporting real estate, commercial, energy, super charger, construction, EHS, employment, new market entry, international legal teams, rapid product ramp up and production operations.

#### Deputy General Counsel & Director, Infrastructure and CapEx
August 2020 - July 2022 (2 years)
Austin, Texas, United States

Legal director for Tesla's CapEx, infrastructure and real estate teams. Lead counsel for capital equipment procurement, construction, production facility operations, real estate, company strategic initiatives, and post M&A acquisition

integration. Primary legal and strategic advisor to a cross functional leadership team supporting current and planned company initiatives; supervisory or direct responsibility for all aspects of contract drafting, negotiation and closure; complex commercial transaction structuring, and dispute resolution. Lead counsel for all production facility issues, including operations, infrastructure and rapid ramp-up, including interface with federal, state, municipal, permitting and regulatory authorities.

### Associate General Counsel
December 2018 - August 2020 (1 year 9 months)
San Francisco Bay Area

### Managing Counsel, Commercial
December 2017 - December 2018 (1 year 1 month)
San Francisco Bay Area

### Senior Counsel, Commercial
May 2017 - December 2017 (8 months)
San Francisco Bay Area

## SUNY Polytechnic Institute Colleges of Nanoscale Science and Engineering
### Attorney and Associate VP for Policy and Regulatory Affairs
September 2011 - November 2016 (5 years 3 months)
Albany, NY

Lead contract, regulatory compliance, risk management and litigation counsel. Responsible for all aspects of contract negotiation and closure in support of procurement, licensing, joint development agreements, memoranda of understanding, confidentiality agreements. Responsible for management of matters related to human resources, environmental, audit, export control, intellectual property, litigation and reputational risk. Responsible for establishment of the legal framework of R&D programs with collaborative partners including creation of template agreements and negotiation/closure of all necessary contractual arrangements to support such programs.

## Fuller Road Management Corporation/Fort Schuyler Management Corporation
### Counsel
September 2011 - November 2016 (5 years 3 months)
Albany, NY

Responsible for support of corporate and not-for-profit governance functions including offering legal strategy and support to the Executive Team.

Responsible for all aspects of negotiation and closure of leasing, construction, service agreements, purchase of real property transactions in support of management of corporate real property holdings. Responsible for management of the entire litigation portfolio including management of outside counsel.

### Bailey, Kelleher & Johnson, P.C.

Associate Attorney

January 2009 - September 2011 (2 years 9 months)

Albany, NY

Lead associate civil litigation attorney focusing on premises liability, insurance defense, personal injury, and complex commercial litigation.

### Thorn Gershon Tymann & Bonanni, LLP

Associate Attorney

July 2007 - July 2008 (1 year 1 month)

Albany, NY

Civil litigation associate attorney focusing on products liability, medical malpractice, insurance defense, personal injury and plaintiff litigation.

### Higgins, Roberts, Beyerl & Coan, P.C.

Associate Attorney

August 2006 - July 2007 (1 year)

Schenectady, NY

Corporate and real estate associate attorney, responsible for supporting the completion of transactional practice for clients ranging from start-up to educational not-for-profit corporations.

## Education

### Albany Law School of Union University

J.D. · (2003 - 2006)

### Siena College

Bachelor’s Degree, Political Science (Double minor: Biology and Psychology) · (1999 - 2003)